Working of Administrative Tribunals

2663. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) how many cases are pending with Customs Excise and Gold (Control) Appellate Tribunal, Income Tax Appellate Tribunal, Income Tax Settlement Commission and the Foreign Exchange Appellate Board as on 30th September, 1994, what is the number of cases which have been pending for more than three and five years before each Tribunal and what are the financial implications thereof;

(b) whether there are any cases in which stay has been granted by the courts, if so, what are the details thereof and what steps have been taken to get the stay vacated; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to reduce the arrears ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

आयकर अपील न्यायाधिकरण में लम्बित मामले

2664. **श्री आस मोहम्मद :**
श्री ईश दत्त यादव :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि प्राप्त मामलों और निपटाये गये मामलों के बीच अन्तर होने के कारण, 1 जून, 1994 की स्थिति के अनुसार, आयकर अपील न्यायाधिकरण के समक्ष अनिर्णीत मामलों की संख्या 2, 71, 885 थी ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में इन मामलों के शीघ्र निपटाने के लिए कितनी प्रगति हुई है ?

विधि, न्याय और कंपनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) अधिकरण में सदस्यों के रिक्त पदों को भरने के लिए कदम उठाए गए हैं । सदस्यों को ऐसे स्थानों पर दौरे के लिए भेजा जाता है, जहां या तो लंबित मामले अधिक हैं या नियमित न्यायपीठें कार्य नहीं कर रही हैं । सुनवाई के लिए समान विवाद्यकों वाली अपीलों को एक समूह में रखा जाना, शीघ्र निपटारे के लिए पूर्व निर्णयों के अन्तर्गत आने वाले मामलों की संवीक्षा करना और विभिन्न स्थानों पर शिवर न्यायालयों की व्यवस्था करना, ऐसे कुछ अन्य उपाए हैं जो लंबित मामलों के शीघ्र निपटारे के लिए किए गए हैं ।

Protection to women against crimes

2665. SHRI K. M. KHAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the laws of the land are sufficient to provide protection to women against crimes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether laxity in implementation of these laws and lengthy legal procedure are hampering protection to women against crimes

(d) whether women are not getting protection against crimes from existing laws due to social attitudes which do not encourage them to approach the legal authorities to get benefit of existing laws;

(e) whether Government propose to take some measures to remove the above hurdles to enable women to get proper protection against crimes; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) to (f) The requisite information is being collected from the concerned Ministries/Department and the same will be laid on the Table of the House.

Designated courts in Delhi

2666. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) how many designated courts are there in Delhi as on date;

(b) when Government constituted each of these courts and where the same are located;

(c) how many cases are pending before each designated court as on date;

(d) how many of them are one year, two year, three year and five and more year old;

(e) how many of the accused have been granted bail by the designated courts;,

(f) whether there is any proposal to constitute more designated courts to complete trails; and

(g) if not, what steps are being taken to speed up trial by Government ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) (a) and (b) There are three designated courts in Delhi, one court each at Tis Hazari, Patiala House and Karkardooma (Shahdara) which have been constituted with effect from 27-6-1985 under TADA(P) Act, 1985 :

(c) Tis Hazari	726
Patiala House	174
Karkardooma	280
	1,180
(d) One Year	297
Two Year	308
Three Year	224
Five Year	234
More than Five Year	117

(e) 769.

(f) and (g) For the expeditious trial and disposal of the cases under TADA Act, the Delhi High Court proposes to constitute another designated Court immediately under the TADA (P) Act at Tis Hazari.

Notices issued to cost Auditors

2667. SHRI JAGIR SINGH DARD :
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of the companies in drug sector and other sectors whose cost auditors have been issued notices seeking details and clarifications by Director (Cost) of Ministry of Law, Justice and Company Affairs;

(b) what are the details of these notices issued during 1991-92 and till date, company-wise;

(c) whether issuance of such notices has approval of his Ministry or they have been issued by Director (Cost) in his discretion;

(d) what are the other actions taken by Director (Cost) after 1991-92; and

(e) what has been done in respect of Cost Audit Report of certain companies for 1990-91 where foreign exchange swindling of crores of rupees was found and what are the details of these companies ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) to (d) The cost audit reports submitted by the cost auditors in respect of various products covered by the respective Cost Accounting (Records) Rules are examined/reviewed to ensure compliance of the Cost Audit (Report) Rules, 1968 by the auditors and of sub-section 1 of section 233B of the Companies Act, 1956 by the companies subject to cost audit. This is a continuous process and covers products like paper, motor vehicles, cement, textiles, vanaspati caustic soda, chemicals, drugs, sugar, soda ash, tractors, tyres and tubes, mini steel plants etc. The findings of review of the reports include cases of under-utilisation of capacity, inefficiency in the usage of raw materials, energy, deficiency in the maintenance of cost records, in accuracies in the reported cost data, disproportionate increase in prices etc. The follow up actions are taken as per rules in each case with the cost auditors/companies concerned wherever necessary.

(e) No such instances were noticed in respect of cost audit reports of companies for 1990-91.

चुनावों के लिए निर्धारित आचार संहिता का उल्लंघन किया जाना

2668. **श्री राम जेठमलानी :**
श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मुख्य निर्वाचन आयोग ने आंध्र प्रदेश और कर्नाटक की राज्य विधान सभाओं के लिए हाल ही में हुए चुनावों के